GENEALOGY OF

ISAAC GROSS AND

HIS DESCENDANTS

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N. E. Historical & Genealogical Register, Grosse Family by J. H. Treat.
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W. E. Historical & Genealogical Society,
Close family by L. H. Trask.
First Records of Orland, Maine, in
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and various letters regarding family
births, marriages and deaths.

GENEALOGICAL NOTES

of

ISAAC GROSS

and his

DESCENDANTS.

THE GROSS FAMILY was undoubtedly of French origin and the first record of the name was found in England in Oxfordshire 1273. The name is found in ancient French and English records in the various forms of Gros, Grossus, Groce, Grose, Grosse, Groose, Groosses and Gross, which is the form the latter Gross most generally accepted in America today. While Grosse and Grose is still occasionally found, it is thought the family came with William the Conqueror, as they were not recorded until after the Battle of Hastings. The Arms of the English family is of the Le Gros of the Isles of Guernsey and Jersey.

ISAAC GROSS was born in Boston, Lincolnshire County, England, married Ann_____, and came to America with the Winthrop Expedition in the Arbella, named for Lady Arabella Johnson, wife of Isaac Johnson, Esq., who were passengers on the ship. They arrived in June 1630. Lady Arabella unused to the hardships they encountered died the following December, and her husband died about a month later. This expedition was the most important that had left England for America, consisting of fifteen ships and about one thousand emigrants. Everything necessary for the founding of a permanent colony was carried out by the settlers.

The emigrants included many persons of high character, wealth and learning. They formed a settlement and named the town Boston for their hometown in Lincolnshire Co., England, thus becoming the founders of Boston. Winthrop was made Governor of the colony. Isaac Gross was said to be one of his right-hand men until he became interested in the religious movement which caused many of the colony to be banished at this time, among these Anne Hutchinson and Roger Williams. Isaac left Boston with Wheelwright , a brother of Anne Hutchinson. Wheelwright was banished for his participation in Mrs. Hutchinson's heresies. They went to New Hampshire where they founded the town of Exeter. Later the feeling against the Antinomians having blown over, Isaac returned to Boston where he owned the land on which Fanueil Hall Market now stands.

ISAAC GROSS owned land at Dock Square. He was said to be one of the original thirteen merchants to do business on the waterfront which was at Scolley Square. He took up land and built a homestead on the stream of water that is now Back Bay Fens. It was a grant of land and the stream was then called "Muddy Brook". The first stone house in Boston was owned by Isaac Gross on Cross St., which was later left to Boston, the proceeds to start the first hospital in Boston, possibly this is the Massachusetts General Hospital.

TEN GROSS SISTERS.

In Zion's Herald, Sept. 25, 1918, is an article entitled "The Ten Gross Sisters of Wellfleet." Their picture is on the title page, and all are around 90 years of age. They are also descended from Isaac Gross through Clement, his son.

ISAAC GROSS,1, of Boston, Mass., 1630; born in Boston, Lincolnshire Co., England. Married Ann_____. His will was probated 1649 in which he named sons, Edmund, Clement, Matthew. His widow Ann married 1658 Samuel Sheeve of Dedham.

CLEMENT GROSS,2, son of Isaac, born Boston, Eng., came to America in 1630 with his father. Married before 1649, Mary_____, died before 1669.

SIMON GROSS,3, son of Clement, born in Boston 1652, died Apr. 26, 1696. Married in Hingham, Mass., Oct. 23, 1675, to Mary Bond, daughter of John and Hester Bond, born Dec. 16, 1657, died April 26, 1696.
Children all born in Hingham.

MICAH GROSS, 4, son of Simon, born Hingham, Mass., Feb. 20, 1685-6, died Truro, Oct. 8, 1753.
Married Hannah Freeman. Lived in Truro, Mass.

EBENEZER GROSS, 5, son of Micah, born in Truro, Mass., Aug. 7, 1713, died _____. Married in Boston, Mass., Feb. 22, 1736, Abigail Treat, granddaughter of Gov. Robert Treat. Lived in Truro and Boston, Mass., moved to Gross's Point, Orland, Maine, in 1765.
(His son Benjamin was a veteran of the Mexican War, and lived the last part of his life and died at the Soldier's Home, Togus, Maine.)

JOSEPH GROSS, 6, son of Ebenezer, born Boston Dec. 20-21, 1739, died Jan. 1807. Married Tabitha Goodale.
He was a gunsmith by trade. He first served as Sentinel in His Majesty's Service, later joining the Colonial Army. He was stationed at Fort Pownall to defend the Penobscott. He came to Orland where he founded a settlement in 1764, Orland, Maine, on the Castine Road.
He had seven children;

Joseph, Jr., born Fort Pownall, Oct. 1763,
Zacariah, born Orland, Me., Aug. 1766, first male white child born in Orland, Me. (Joseph or Zacariah married Lucy Lawrence.)
Joshus, born Oct. 1768, married Mary Brooks.
Abigail, born May 10, 1772, married William McIntyre.
Philip, born June 2, 1774, married Eunice Brown.
Basheba, born May 2, 1775, married Thomas Ames.
John, born Apr. 2, 1779, married Rachael Lawrence in 1804. (Plantation Clerk, John Partridge)

JOHN CROSS, 7, son of Joseph, born Orland, Maine, Apr. 2, 1779, died Apr. 1856, married Rachael Lawrence of Glasgow, Scotland, daughter of William Lawrence, published for marriage Sept. 28, 1804. Four Children: Clara, Eliza, Basheba, Sawyer.

SAWYER CROSS, 8, born Apr. 22, 1805, Orland, Maine, died May 17, 1882, married Abigail Viles at Penobscot, Me., Nov. 7, 1827, born Aug. 23, 1805, N. Penobscot, died Sept. 3, 1896.

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Twelve children, all born in Orland, Maine:
Ninth generation.

1. Rachael O., born Mar. 24, 1829, married early, died May 3, 1853 with childbirth.

2. Hannah M., born Aug. 2, 1830, married Joseph Crosby. Ten children: Claudia, Georgia, Joseph, Lillian, Harry, Nina, Charlotte, three died in infancy.

3. Mary C. born Nov. 7, 1831, married Capt. John Perry, moved to California.
Five children: John, Bethune, Ernest, Effie, Lottie.

4. Franklin W., born Mar. 28, 1833, died July 30, 1910, Two children: Herbert, Adelbert.

5. Capt. Frederick B., born June 10, 1835, married Joan Smith of Provincetown, Mass.
Four children: Harriet, Josephine, Mildred, Fred.

6. Capt. Francis H., born Oct. 13 , 1836, died Oct. 2, 1863 married Mary Hutchins. One baby died. Capt. drowned at sea in Long Island Sound.

7. Capt. Daniel S., born Mar. 30, 1838, died of yellow fever in Key West, Fla., July 3, 1864.
Was Mate of ship commanded by Washington Dow, of Prospect, Maine. Ensign in Navy during Civil War on Gun Boat "Marblehead".

8. Abigail S., born Sept, 21, 1840, married Edgar Leach. One son, William, now living in Orland, Maine.

9. Nina P., born Apr. 29, 1842, married Capt. Edward Parker. No children.

10. Tamson, born Apr. 9, 1843, married Capt. Albert Gott, died at sea. Three children: Lillian died young, another Lillian, and William died in Mexico of yellow fever.

11. Harriet S., born June 6, 1846, died Aug. 21, 1848.

12. SAMUEL SAWYER, born May 28, 1849, died Oct. 20, 1904. Married Maria Tyler Burrill, dau. Zeba and Elsie G. Burrill, born Feb. 10, 1848, died Dec. 23, 1917. Five children:

SAWYER FRANCIS, 10, born June 27, 1871, died June 5, 1901, in Blue Hill, Me.

HADLEY WALDAMERE, 10, born Jan. 18, 1873, died July 8, 1933, at Elks Nat'l Home, Bedford, Va.
Married 1st, Addie Meserve, one child, died an infant.
2d, Alice , one child, Clifford Frederick.
3d, Helen Menzies, adopted her son Robert.
Lived in California until 1932 when he entered Elks Home, Bedford, Va.

DANIEL IRVING, 10, born Feb. 10, 1875, died Sept. 30, 1945.
Married July 12, 1905, in Bluehill, Me., Annie Gertrude Parsons, born Halifax, N. S., Aug. 13, 1878, daughter John E. and Elizabeth A. Parsons of Halifax, N. S.
Bowdoin College, Brunswick, Me., B.A. 1902.
Harvard Law School, 1902-4.
Andover Theological Seminary, S.T.B. 1908.
Blackstone College of Law L.L.B. 1927.
Bowdoin College conferred a D D in 1922.
Minister: First Congregational Church, Marshfield, Mass., 1908-1911.
Pilgrim Church, Nashua, N. H., 1911-1918.
Woodford's Congregational Church, Portland, Me., 1918-1931.
Athol Congregational Church, Athol, Mass., 1931-1945.
He wrote several books of poetry and was in many anthologies.
She was Secretary at Library Bureau 1901 - 1905.

Two children: Elisabeth Bullard and Virgil Tyler.

ELIZABETH BULLARD, 11, born June 29, 1906, Andover, Mass.
Colby College, Waterville, Me. B.A. 1928
Radcliff College, M. A., 1930. Taught in Braintree High School and Cape Elizabeth High School 1928-31.
Wrote many poems, some of which were published.
Married Sept. 18, 1931, Augusta, Maine, Charles Pembroke Nelson, son of John E. and Margaret (Atwood) Nelson, born Augusta, Me., July 8, 1907. Colby College B.A.1928; Harvard Law School L.L.B. 1931; Army Air Corps, Lt. Colonel 1942-6.
Mayor of Augusta 1947. U.S.Congressman, 2d Dist. Maine 1947-1957.

Two children: Charles P. Jr., May 1932, premature, in Athol, Mass., died same day.

Elisabeth Anne, 12 born June 22, 1947, Boston, Mass.

VIRGIL TYLER,11, born Oct. 22, 1909, Andover, Mass., married Dec. 24, 1934, St. Louis, Mo., Marveline E. Osborne. He attended Hebron Academy 1925-8, and University of Maine 1928-32 B.S. Both employed Starrett Tool Co. Athol, Mass., he draftsman, she office worker.

One child: Daniel Osborne.

DANIEL OSBORNE,12, born Dec. 4, 1936, Memphis, Tenn. Attending Colby College 1957.

BELVIDERA MARIA,10, born Mar. 28, 1881, Orland, Me., died Feb. 6, 1952 in Boston, Mass. Married June 26, 1912, M. Oliver Kendall Durgin, Dentist, lived in Winnebago, Minn. He died 1944 in Minn. buried in Athol, Mass.

ABBIE ELOISE, 10, born Sept. 27, 1880, in Orland, Me., Graduate of Blue Hill George Stevens Academy, Blue Hill, Me.,1905. Underwriter in John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Company, Boston, Mass., 1906 to 1950. Now retired, living in Middlebore, Mass.

TREAT FAMILY

to

EBENEZER GROSS.

1. John Treat
2. William
3. Richard
4. Robert
5. Richard

6th generation from Pitminster, Eng.
Gov. Robert Treat, born 1624, England,
married about 1647, died July 12, 1710.
Lived Milford, Ct., Newark 1666.
Married Jane Tapp, daughter Edmund Tapp,
born 1628, died Oct. 1703.

7th generation: Rev. Samuel Treat, son of
Gov. Robert Treat, born Sept. 3, 1641,
Milford, Ct., died Mar. 11, 1716-7.
Graduate of Harvard College, 1669.
Married Mar. 16, 1674 , Eastham, Elizabeth
Mayo, daughter of Capt. Samuel Mayo, born
May 22, 1655, died Dec. 4, 1696.
Lived Eastham 1672.
Eleven children.
Married 2d, widow Estabrook, daughter of
Rev. Willard, Pastor of Old South Church,
and President of Harvard College.

8th generation: Joseph Treat, born Nov. 13, 1690,
Eastham, died Feb. 1750, Boston, married
June 25, 1713, Eastham. Lived Boston 1713,
Truro 1720-5, Boston 1727,

9th generation: Eunice, married Robert Treat Paine,
a signer of "Declaration of Independence".

9th generation: ABIGAIL TREAT, great grand-daughter of Gov. Robert
Treat, born Mar. 10, 1715-6, Boston,
Married Feb. 22, 1736, Boston, Ebenezer Gross,
son of Micah. Lived Truro and Boston.

NOTES ON TREAT.

GOV. ROBERT TREAT, Commander of the troops in King Phillip's war; leader of the Company that founded Newark, N. J.; Governor of Connecticut 1638 - 1698, at the time its charter was demanded by Gov. Andros in 1686-7, and Deputy Governor in 1679-1683-1698-1708.

Born in Pitminster, England in 1622, and died in 1710, buried in Milford, Ct.

REV. SAMUEL TREAT, son of Gov. Robert Treat, graduated from Harvard College in 1669, and settled at Eastham, Mass., as minister in 1672. He was the eldest of twenty-one children. He married 1st Elizabeth Mayo and had eleven children, 2d widow Estabrook and she had three children. She was the daughter Mr. Willard , pastor of the Old South Church and President of Harvard College.

Samuel Treat was an eccentric, dominated by a "great work", missionary work among the Indians, who grew to love him. While he lay dying they brought their tepees and camped on a hill beside his house, 500 praying warriors, and at least 1000 men, women, and children, stood outside his house and everyone of them had been taught by Samuel with the aid of only native teachers. He died during the GREAT SNOW of 1717, and in Boston and Cambridge the streets were so blockaded that the magistrates of the city were unable to return to their homes after Parson Brattles' funeral, but the desolate road to the burying ground in Eastham was smooth and clear long before the body of Samuel Treat was ready to take its last journey.

Relays of Indian converts bore Samuel to his resting place, he passed for the last time over the grass by the doorstoop which the whirling snow had left bare. They "thrud" triumphal archway that no hero has known since, under an arc of crystal shining in the sun like a fallen rainbow. The snow had drifted and whirled and finally melted and left an archway of crystal in front of the door. Something of the awe of that passing crept into the epitaph. In an age when poems and sordid verse stripped dignity from every grave, chiselled in stone at Eastham are the words

> "Here lies the body of the late learned
> and Reverend Samuel Treat, the pious, faithful pastor of this church, who after a very zealous discharge of his ministry for the space of 45 years and laborious travail for the souls of the Indian warriors fell asleep
> in Christ."

THE CANDAGE FAMILY.

Abigail
married
Sawyer Gross.

JAMES CANDAGE settled in Blue Hill, Maine, 1766, came from Beverly, Mass. Wife's name Elizabeth.

Name originally spelled Cavendish, but custom changed it to Candish, Candage.

Reference Genealogy of Candage Family by R.G.F. Candage of Brookline, Mass.
Wyman's Genealogies and Estates of Charlestown, Mass., Vol. 1, Page 175.

JOHN CANDAGE, shipwright, married 1st Mary_____ who died of smallpox 1677-8, 2d Mary Swain, died 1809. He died 1788.

JAMES CANDAGE had three sons, James, Joseph, and John, two daughters, Betty and Lydia, and one daughter born in Blue Hill, Maine. He died 1788, his wife died 1809.

Their son JOSEPH born 1754, married Abigail Carter, Blue Hill, Maine, Jan. 7, 1777, died 1840. Joseph's death caused by fall on ice.

Their daughter HANNAH, born Sept. 17, 1778, married Elisha Viles, of Orland, Maine. Seven children: Mary, Charlotte, Eliza, Sarah, Joseph, Nancy, Abigail.

ABIGAIL VILES, daughter of Elisha and Hannah, of Orland, married SAWYER GROSS, OF ORLAND, Nov. 27, 1827.

THE STORY OF WILLIAM LAWRENCE,

Father of Rachael,
wife of JOHN GROSS
1804.

WILLIAM LAWRENCE, father of Rachael,
Orderly Book of William Lawrence, at Castine, Me.,
1779080, communicated by Joseph Williamson, Esq.,
the Bangor whig and Courier, of Feb. 10,1846,
has the following obituary:

"In Bucksport, Feb. 3, Mr. William Lawrence, a native of Scotland, age 97. Mr. Lawrence was Orderly Sergent in the Royal Artillery, and came to this country with the British Army before the rupture with Great Britain.

He was in the skirmishes at Lexington and Concord, and at Bunket Hill, and most of the important battles of the Revolution. He was afterwards stationed at Bagaduce - now Castine - and on the declaration of peace after receiving an honorable discharge, came to this place where he has ever since resided.

His reminisciences of the past and particularly of the thrilling scenes of the Revolution were so remarkably vivid as ever to give to his narrative an interest that is seldom surpassed."

Sargent Lawrence left a journal of the siege of Castine which is reprinted in Wheeler's History and also an Orderly Book.
Both manuscripts were sold by auction lately, the former bringing $14,00 and the latter $11.00